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OPEN LETTER

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RE: HOUSES OF MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY (HMOs) IN CORBY

As you know, over recent months, I have received a significant volume of correspondence from my constituents in Corby who are concerned about the noticeable increase in numbers of HMOs. Many have also raised issues around anti-social behaviour emanating from some such dwellings.

Having carefully considered the numerous complaints I have received, many of which I have raised with you individually, and some of which highlight particularly egregious examples of HMOs, I am writing to request that North Northamptonshire Council now very seriously considers introducing an 'Article 4 Direction' in Corby in order that any applications for new HMOs can be properly assessed and regulated to ensure that local residents are not negatively impacted by such changes and that development is consistent and respectful to its surroundings. Moreover, I also understand that the introduction of such an article would ensure that the quality of housing is taken into consideration.

I would therefore strongly urge NNC elected members and officers to consider this proposal, which I know is strongly supported within the Corby community - indeed, I would be delighted to discuss this further with you and would welcome the opportunity to do so.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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